







MARCH, 1961

## THE NOMINATIONS FOR THE NEW EXECUTIVE OF THE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD SUNDAY, MARCH 19th

The following excerpts are taken from the constitution:

That the term of office on the Old Boys executive be for two years. A general election shall be held every two years and any officer other than the President may stand for re-election. The President may stand for re-election after retiring for one term.

Point 5, Article 2—When it is the intention of the executive council to hold an election, all members in good standing shall be given a written notice of such intention, stating the time and place of the proposed election. This notice will be posted in such time that members residing in Toronto shall have one month's clear notice, the month for this purpose to be considered as thirty days.

Be sure to attend the Conference March the 19th. It is one of the outstanding events in the Old Boys calendar. It is also your opportunity to select your new executive. Elections will take place at a date to be announced later.

### A MESSAGE FROM FATHER SHEEDY



Our Old Boys are young again — the Association is once more on a firm footing. We appreciate the work that your men have done for the school during the past year and are grateful for the spirit you have shown in pledging help in aid of needy students.

It seems to me that the Old Boys Association can make an invaluable contribution to our work.

Keep up the good work and may God bless you and help you in your work for St. Michaels and for the Church.

### TOWARDS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Approximately one hundred boys receive scholarships for academic excellence. Twenty-five of these are full (\$175.00) and seventy-five of these are partial (\$50.00), to a total value of approximately \$8,000.00.

Over and above this sum, needy students receive reductions in tuition fees. Through the generosity of our friends, particularly the Martha Guild, we are able to cope with the situation to some extent.

- Executive**
- President - Peter D'Agostino
  - First Vice President - Frank Bodogh
  - Second Vice President - Frank Glionna
  - Director and Sec'y Treasurer - Rev. Edward X. Ronan, C.S.B.
  - Executive Councillors - Gerry McGoe, Joe Primeau, Ted Schmidt, John Frezell, Charles Grieco

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND MEETING OF OLD BOYS SUNDAY, MARCH 19TH

#### The Feast of St. Joseph

- Program**
- 12 noon — Mass in gym — Father Matthew Sheedy, Celebrant
  - 1 p.m. — luncheon, followed by nominations and special speaker, BISHOP MARROCCO



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### THE HONOUR SOCIETY

At a student assembly on February 1st, Bishop Nelligan of Assumption University was introduced by Father Sheedy. His Excellency presented special lapel pins to some two hundred students who have attained an average of seventy-five per cent or better in the recent Christmas examinations. Father John Egsgard, Moderator of the Honour Society, explained the conditions under which these awards are granted and pointed out that the attractive pins were designed by Father Arnold Megan when the Honour Society was instituted by Father Sheedy in the autumn of 1958. It is interesting to note that at the present time better than twenty-one per cent of the student body are members of the Honour Society. When you visit the school see the Honour Society Roll displayed in the main corridor just outside the Chapel.

### THE NEW STAFF RESIDENCE

Running west from the tower towards Bathurst Street — a new staff residence nears completion. The architects are Parkin Associates represented by OLD BOY Wm. Keenan. The General Contractors for the project — Eastern Construction owned and operated by the Odette boys — Bud is an OLD BOY of the 40's. Father John Crowley has coordinated the details of this new development and it is expected that the staff will move in by Easter. The OLD BOYS have donated \$500.00 towards the cost of furnishing the rooms.

### WILLIAM JOSEPH ROACH, C.S.B.

The death of Father Willie Roach marked the passing of an era—an era which saw St. Michael's grow from a small school numbering 60 boys to its present size. Willie Roach was 13 when he first came to Clover Hill in 1888 from Brechin. He graduated from the University of Toronto in 1896 and was ordained in Saint Basil's Church in 1901. He taught philosophy for several years at Assumption in 'Sandwich' before being appointed Superior of Saint Thomas College in Chatham, N.B.

Father Roach tasted tragedy when he saw the New Brunswick College destroyed by fire—eight years of work seemed to go up in flames. Returning to Toronto, he was Superior and Councillor of Saint Basil's Scholasticate from 1919 to 1925. Father Roach was appointed to the Governing body of the Basilian Fathers in 1922, taught English and Theology at Saint Michael's in the University from 1925 to 1932 and subsequently was Pastor at Saint Mary's Parish in Owen Sound and Holy Rosary Parish in Toronto. He returned to Assumption College as Professor of Philosophy in 1936.

On July 3, 1951 Father Roach celebrated his Golden Anniversary of Ordination with a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving in Saint Basil's Church, with Father McCorkell and Father Carr assisting. Many Saint Michael's Old Boys and old friends of this noble priest were present.

Father Roach in the last ten years of his life was an inspiration to the young men preparing for the priesthood in Saint Basil's Seminary. He died on Sunday, February 12; Bishop Allen celebrated the funeral Mass in Saint Basil's assisted by Father Flahiff and Father Brown. Father McCorkell preached. Father Roach was buried in Holy Cross Cemetery R.I.P.



## THE BLUE BANNER

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# ARENA OPENING

The St. Michael's Majors defeated the St. Michael's Old Boys 5 to 2 to officially open the new St. Michael's Arena on Monday, November 7th, 1960. It was a night to remember! Before a standing room crowd of 1640 the Majors completely baffled the Old Boys, even though the latter's first forward line was none other than Dick Duff, Frank Mahovolich and Red Kelly. The Old Boys were outplayed throughout and none of the above were able to score a goal. Dave Keon and Bob McKnight changed teams in a first period trade arranged between Father Ted Flanagan and Father David Bauer. This helped to even matters somewhat but was not sufficient. Father Costello, Jim Thompson and Ted Lindsay were making their first starts of the year.

One of St. Michael's former greats, Ted Lindsay, scored one goal. The other went to Bill Dineen of Cleveland Barons.

Rocket Richard and King Clancy shared refereeing duties. They called 6 minor penalties against the Old Boys, one of which was to Father Costello. One thrill for the spectators was the reunion of Gus Mortson and Jimmie Thompson on defence.

The school band was on hand for a musical introduction and Paul McNamara, a former player and coach, dropped the puck between Jack Aldridge of the Quarterback Club and Peter D'Agostino, President of the Old Boys Association.

Father Matthew Sheedy, Principal and Superior of the School, spoke after the first period. He cited the arena as a fine example of the spirit of co-operation that exists at the school. He also mentioned that the Quarterback Club and Old Boys Association should be very proud of the building and the work they have put into it. He also pointed out that the Manual Arts department under the direction of Father Ronan with Fathers Sheehan, Smith, Higgins and Mr. Hubert Vogt were responsible for such items as the seats, side boards and the laying of floors, the building of partitions, closets and other details.

Other speakers were Maurice Richard, Red Kelly, Major Captain Terry O'Malley, and athletic director Father William Conway.

## "HOCKEY NEWS"

### SAINT MICHAEL'S MAJORS:

The Majors recently tightened their grip on second place when they edged Peterborough Flyers 3 to 2. This followed victories over Guelph Royals in Guelph at 4 to 3 and Toronto Marlboros 3 to 1. Previous to this they had scored an upset victory over the same Guelph team to stop the latter's 18 game unbeaten streak. A system of tight checking and opportunism sent the Royals down to defeat on both occasions.

Many hockey experts are impressed with Father Bauer's coaching and handling of this team. They boast the best defensive record in the league by far and although they are also the lowest scoring team in the league, Father Bauer gets a great deal of mileage out of this

## THE OLD BOYS . . . *Where are they now?*

Bob Scaini and Frank Hayward are at Teachers College in Mimico and enjoying the challenge. John Smart and George White are now in fourth year at U of T, the former in modern history, the latter in engineering. Matt Corrigan wrote and produced a play at Hart House this year; he is in third year of philosophy at U of T. Dr. Ed Rzadki, Dr. Florian Matsalla and Dr. Frank Byrne all started interning at St. Michael's Hospital during 1960. Unfortunately Dr. Ed. Rzadki was forced to stop in December. He developed T.B. and is in Western San receiving visits. E. M. Campanile is sales representative with Imperial Oil Limited. Rev. V. J. Keating is on the staff of St. Augustine's Seminary, teaching theology. Terrance McDonough, Physicians and Surgeons Building, Dentist. Vincent McNamara, is teaching at Collège Militaire Royale, St-Jean, Qué. M. J. O'Brien, engineer with Canadian General Electric. Roy D'Augustine, an OLD BOY of the late 30's has a boy in Grade X, "Mike". He has a successful restaurant supply business. Gerald Macoretta, married with two children, in Thorold, has grocery business. Rolph Hasenack, qualifying year for M.A. in philosophy, St. Michael's College. Dr. Wm. Quigley is practicing Dentistry in Edmonton. Jack Quigley has an insurance business in Calgary. Dan Murphy is a lawyer in Goderich. Larry Stokes, taking honour history, third year. John Badali, Bob Dilworth and Gary Nicholson, Commerce and Finance, third year. Larry Kuzminski and Bill Burak, General Arts, third year. George White, Engineering, Physics, fourth year—spent summer in Germany working for Leica Cameras. Leonard Casciato is treasurer and co-

## NOTICE

The life blood of the Old Boys organization is to contact as many old boys as possible. Our mailing list is well over 2000 but this is but a small percentage of our alumni. We need your help to get names. Please send in names and addresses of any old boys not receiving the Blue Banner to Father E. X. Ronan, 1515 Bathurst St., Toronto, today. We solicit your earnest co-operation. Please help.

### ANNUAL OLD BOYS' GAME

The OLD BOYS have committed themselves to promoting an OLD BOYS game as an annual event. It should become one of the highlights of the social year.

A cheque for the profits of the proceeds was presented to Father Sheedy at the OLD BOYS Memorial breakfast and amounted to \$6,121.94.

A great deal of thanks should be extended to Father Ronan and Joe Primeau, Father Flanagan, Frank Bodogh and the Ticket Committee — Peter D'Agostino, Gordon Ashworth, Al Grossi, John Frezell, Jim Henry, Cam MacLellan, Jerry McGoey, Neil Morrison, John Sadler, Doug Wakely and John Vojtech, who are responsible for making this such an outstanding success.



Dropping of puck officially opens new St. Michael's Arena  
Left to right: Jack Aldridge, Paul McNamara, Peter D'Agostino

club. Having now beaten the league leading Guelph Royals four times out of six games, would not seem too boastful to feel that the Majors have a good chance to take the championship. The Major's goaltender, Jerry Cheevers, is the league leader. Cheevers has allowed only 48 goals in 18 games. Meanwhile Bruce Draper has moved into fourth position in the scoring parade with 35 goals, second only to Rod Gilbert of Guelph.

### THE BUZZERS:

Father Wm. Conway and his Buzzers currently have clinched the lead in the Metro Junior 'B' Loop. Harry Watson's Unionville team are strong. Come playoffs the Saint Michael's 'B's' will be hard to stop. The Buzzers play their home games in the St. Michael's arena.

founder of the K.C.S. Limited. He is conducting preliminary investigations and preparations for controlling traffic lights in Toronto by electronic computer. Gordon Edwards fourth year U of T has been awarded the Woodrow Wilson scholarship. Edward Cloutier, boarder 1948-49 is now in Sault Ste. Marie in the grocery business. John LeMay is at U of T, Electrical Engineering. Jim Britten U of T in M.P.C. Mickie Kenney, Thetford, Quebec, is at U of T in Civil Engineering. Dr. H. P. Higgins, internal medicine branch of St. Michael's Hospital — has four girls and one boy. Lorne Gervais, public relations work with Arco Playing Card Company. Ken Bourrie is married and has a family. He is assistant manager, Esso Touring Service. Tom Pezzack married a sister of OLD BOY Gerald Kirby, has three children and is with Union Carbide. Bill Dimma and Pete McDevitt are also with Union Carbide. In second year at Osgoode Hall are Mike Caruso, Mike Garvey, George Longo and Norfi Volpe. Nick Romagnola is happily married and lives in East York. Gene Cipparone is studying dentistry. Mike Pagniello is married and lives in Don Mills. Kerry Egan is in last year medicine. Jae Egan is employed by Brunswick-Balke-Collender. Rod Roy is a manufacturers' agent in Quebec for sixteen hardware firms. He is married with one son, Louis. Dr. George Maugeri, Dentist, 592 Gerrard St., Toronto. Ed Odette has Eastern Construction Company. Joe McCarthy is Vice President of Consumers' Gas in Toronto. Tom Williams is in Winnipeg with a local newspaper. Peter Robinson is teaching at St. John's College in Brantford.

# THE CLASSICS TRADITION AT ST. MICHAELS

The classical languages, Greek and Latin, have always been highly regarded by the Basilians as intellectual disciplines. All students take Latin their first year. Greek has been traditionally offered in the second year. Every year between 75 to 90 students choose Latin in Grade 13.

The Greek picture is a little different. Only a few study Greek. In the whole province in any one year there are not more than 75 students studying Greek in all High School grades combined. Five or six students studying Greek in any one grade is the sign of a flourishing program. This year at St. Michaels there are seven students in Grade 10, 7 in Grade 11 (Junior Matriculation) and 4 in Grade 12 (Senior Matriculation).

Why do so few study Greek? The decline in interest in Greek is a result of the trend in Western education since 1850. Since that time the emphasis has been placed on the mathematical and natural sciences and this has caused a decrease in classical learning. Hence as far back as 1888 when Father William Roach was a student at St. Michaels there were about 6 students studying Greek. Father Duffy, the storied chaplain of the Fighting 69th of the U.S. Army was a member of that class. At the turn of the century Father Robert McBrady and Father Carr were Professors of Greek. In the thirties Father Wilfred Sharpe, Stanley Lynch, Thomas Vahey taught Greek. Fathers Don MacNeil, Francis Orsini, Patrick Gorman, G. J. Weis, Anthony Kelly and William Harding and Lay Old Boys Eugene Bracken, Adrian Egan, Jack McTague and Paul Coughlin were some of the pupils who studied Greek.

In 1948 there was a re-emphasis on Greek at St. Michaels. Father McCorkell was responsible for this renewal. He put Father Anthony Kelly in charge of Greek and reestablished it on the regular time

table. At the dawn of the nuclear age he wanted to re-affirm Basilian faith and trust in the classics as an educational medium and in addition insure for Christian education a source from which they could look for future classical scholars. So far Peter Murphy, S.J. and Paul Burns, C.S.B. are the first fruits of his foresight. Others will follow.

Since 1950 there has been an average of five or six students writing Greek authors and Greek composition in Grade 13. In 1958, 17 candidates wrote the Grade 13 paper. Robert Birgeneau won the first Mary Muloch university scholarship in Greek and Latin in 1959; last year Rudy Beran won the same scholarship and placed third in the National Greek Sight Contest conducted by the Canadian Classical Association.

What can the Old Boys do to support the Classics program at St. Michaels? Do so by encouraging your sons to see its value in their education. Tell them that by studying Greek and Latin they are coming into personal contact through the languages with the people who gave us our Western way of life — the Greeks and Romans. Intellectually they are becoming men when they study Latin and Greek. In the process of translating these languages they are coming into contact with ideas and working with the moulds and expressions of these ideas. By this discipline they are becoming men of ideas and men capable of expressing these ideas in a straightforward, clear and precise manner. This is the reward for the study of these languages.

The Classics staff consists of Fathers O'Leary, Anthony Kelly, Albert Williams, Rocco Volpe, Gerard McGinn, Cyril Doherty, Thomas Dugan, Robert O'Halloran along with Mr. Pat Warden and Claude McNeil. Fathers Kelly and O'Halloran teach Greek.

## ACTIVITIES

**DRAMATICS:** The dramatic society of St. Michael's, with Father Fitzpatrick as moderator presented a very interesting play entitled "Twelve Angry Men". A skillful cast interpreted the various characters very well. The audience was captivated throughout by the interesting story and wonderful acting of this highly trained group. The play was presented to a good audience for three successive nights February 6, 7, 8th at the school.

**BAND CONCERT:** A very successful band concert, under the direction of John Guerriere and Father Whelan, was presented December 18th and 19th. This was considered by many to be the most outstanding program ever presented by the school band. The feature of the night was a miniature band of selected students who presented a musical travelogue consisting of native melodies, which was extremely well received by the capacity audience.

**DOUBLE BLUE BALL:** This annual event was held at the school gymnasium on January 27th with Pat Riccio's band and under the auspices of the student council guided by Father Maurice Taylor.

**DEBATING SOCIETY:** Five boys are being primed by Mr. Norman Frenette, C.S.B., to represent the school in the International Speech Festival, which was instituted by Father Patrick Gorman some seven years ago. It is under the patronage of the Senate Club at the University of Saint Michael's.

The International Speech Festival has two main purposes. The primary goal is to increase interest in forensics but also it was intended that a closer union be established between United States and Canada. The close co-operation of the students of both countries at the formative high school age should do much to increase international understanding. An invitation has come from Fordham University to compete in the Father Gannon Debating Tournament at Easter time, in New York.

Some twenty students from St. Michael's participated in the United Nations assembly at Queen's Park this January.

**MATH SETS THE PACE:** Father John Egsgard will address the annual meeting of a national council of teachers of mathematics in Chicago next April. He is the chairman for the council's summer meeting in August at the University of Toronto.

**ST. MICHAEL'S QUARTERBACK CLUB:** This year is the tenth anniversary of the club. The bingos have been drawing very good crowds. OLD BOYS who need "pocket money", welcome at the bingo any Thursday night at 8.00 p.m.

**Socially:** The committee is working on arrangements for our annual Hockey Dinner which is to take place in March this year.

The Quarter-Back Club has 25 faithful and active workers. The 1961 Executive is as follows:

President - - - - - Jackson Aldridge  
1st Vice President - - - - - Wm. George

2nd Vice President - - - - - Gerry Fullan  
Secretary - - - - - George Downes  
Treasurer - - - - - Howard Currie  
Chaplain - - - - - Father N. Iversen (Bursar)

## ACTIVITIES

Bishop Nelligan of Assumption addressed the parents February 1st under the auspices of the Martha Guild. The latter organization held a successful tea January the 28th at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Michael Scandiffio. Father Albert Williams, the school Librarian, is Chaplain to the Martha Guild which was initiated before the New High School opened in 1950. Father D. T. Faught and Father J. B. Mullins contributed greatly to the development of this outstanding organization which in the past ten years has made a significant contribution to the life of Saint Michael's.

**BASKETBALL:** London, Ont. — St. Michael's of Toronto won the Ontario Catholic High School basketball championship for the fifth straight time and the seventh time in the last nine years by whipping Corpus Christi of Windsor, 50-37, in the final here Saturday night.

**SKATING:** A family skating party is held each Sunday at 11:15 for Old Boys and their families. If you are interested phone Charlie Cerre, HU. 3-8451.

**PUBLICATIONS:** Father John V. Corrigan has recently published a book on the Religious Vocation. Father Corrigan taught at St. Michael's in the Thirties, later served as Principal of St. Mary's Boys School in Calgary and is now on the staff here.

## PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

Father Joseph Penny, C.S.B., is conducting a vocational guidance program which administers certain tests such as Preference, I.Q. and Aptitude tests in English, History and Chemistry. Such tests are held with a view to assisting students with their choice in University Courses and direction in possible future careers and also serve as a guide to the Department of Education on curriculum development.

### OLD BOYS SPONSOR CAREER TALKS

The Old Boys, with Russ Morin as chairman of the series, have arranged a program of special career discussions.

The first was by Donald McDonald, of Day, Wilson and Kelly, a legal firm. This was followed by a talk on engineering given by William Dimma of Union Carbide. Charles Burns, Principal of Mimico High School, discussed the teaching profession and recently William Keenan of John B. Parkin Associates discussed an architectural career. All speakers are members of the Old Boys' Association. Future discussions will feature Accounting, Medicine, Forestry, Agriculture and Veterinary Science and others. Americo Meneguzzi will speak on Accountancy and Business; Dr. Florian Matsalla on Medicine.



# MEMORIAL MASS and BREAKFAST

Present on Nov. 13.

P. D'Agostino  
Fr. Sheedy  
Ted Schmidt  
Fr. McCorkell  
Gerry McGoey  
Pat Wilson  
Jim Sweeney  
Clary Burt  
Cam MacLellan  
John Frezell  
Frank Bodogh  
Jerry Finnigan  
Frank Sweeney  
Lawrie Musson  
Emilio Campanile  
John Sadler  
Wm. O'Brien  
G. R. Lalor  
Tim Donovan  
Bernard Smith  
Tony Nadal

John Reddall  
John Mueller  
John Farrugia  
Joe Cooney  
Dave Scollard  
Norm Frenette, C.S.B.  
Eugene Bowles  
John Bowles  
Bill Reddall, C.S.B.  
Tom McDonnell  
Joe O'Reilly  
Harold Fenn  
Peter Crean  
Geo. Stegeman  
Fr. Brian Higgins  
Frank Glionna  
Fr. Wm. Conway  
Eddie Convey  
J. R. Aldridge  
Paul Morrison  
Fr. Ronan

Mass — Celebrated by Father Paul Sheehan, C.S.B. Speaker at the breakfast was Father McCorkell.

Father McCorkell told those present to be courageous in resisting trends and practices which are sometimes encountered in the business world which contradict the principles and ideals they acquired as students dedicated to "goodness, discipline and knowledge".

## PLEASE SEND NAMES AND ADDRESSES

OF OLD BOYS FOR OUR  
BLUE BANNER —  
KEEP US INFORMED OF CHANGES  
OF ADDRESS.

The following old boys are attending Ryerson Institute of Technology (formerly the old Normal School) at Church and Gould Streets in Toronto:

### 1st Year Ryerson Institute of Technology

Graham, John Thomas	— Business
Borraccia, John	— Civil Technology
Bruce, James Robert	— Business
Cardinali, Robert John	— Business
Clifford, Joseph	— Architecture
McKee, William Richard	— Business
Morra, John Albert	— Electronic Tech.
O'Grady, Harry Clayton	— Business
Rosettis, Albert Peter	— Civil
Ruggiero, Michael	— Business
Stearns, Charles Paul	— Metallurgical

### 2nd Year Ryerson Institute of Technology

Buckel, Wilfred	— Electrical
Cengarle, Julian	— Architecture
Doyle, Michael Francis	— Mechanical
Gareau, Jacques	— Chemical
Hatton, Stephen	— Electronic
Horkits, Joseph	— Architecture
Hultay, Raymond	— Electronic
Januseczak, Carl	— Architecture
Kneider, George	— Architecture
McCarthy, Michael	— Electronic
Newlove, Michael	— Electronic
Shea, David	— Business
Short, Christopher	— R T A
Tomaiuolo, Frank	— Electronic
Yannuzzi, Albert	— Architecture



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